

Rockford Historic Preservation Commission

December 12, 2006 - 6:00 PM

Conference Room B

Rockford City Hall

Present Laura Bachelder, Sally Faber, Jeanne Ludeke, Ald. Doug Mark, Frank St. Angel

Absent Mike Pauly, Maureen Flanagan

Staff Ginny Gregory, Lucia Rinedollar

Others Tim Hatch, Lori Gustafson, and Janet Hill from Haight Village

NEW BUSINESS

Chairman Frank St. Angel called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Minutes

Sally Faber made a **MOTION** to **APPROVE** minutes for the meeting of November 14, 2006 as submitted. The motion was seconded by Laura Bachelder. The motion **CARRIED** by a vote of 4-0.

Certificate of Appropriateness

♦ Haight Village Sign

An application was received for a new sign to replace the brown traffic sign at the intersection of Kishwaukee and Grove Streets. The new sign would be the same height and width and would be made of aluminum with vinyl graphics. It would read "Erlander Home Museum" rather than "Erlander Historic Home Museum" as in the written application.

Ald. Doug Mark made a **MOTION** to **APPROVE** the Certificate of Appropriateness for the new Haight Village sign to be placed at Kishwaukee and Grove Streets. The approval will be contingent upon approval from Public Works and Zoning. Sally Faber seconded the motion. The motion **CARRIED** by a vote of 5-0.

OLD BUSINESS

♦ College/Seminary Rankings

Ginny reported that Laura and Frank came in and went through photos of structures in the College/Seminary Focus Area. She has not had a chance to do more with them but said she is starting to work with the neighborhood group there. This group has a historian that Ginny hopes can provide more information.

♦ New Members

Nominations for Mark McInnis and David Hagney were read in at City Council on Monday, December 11th.

STAFF REPORT

Realtor training – update

Sally will be making a presentation to the Continuing Education Committee.

Violations –

- ♦ **Satellite dishes**

These were checked in November at which time 30 were found, 2 of which have certificates. After some discussion on how best to handle this in light of the volume of violations to deal with. The consensus was that the Commission should work out a plan at the regular January meeting, then set a date for a special meeting at which these would be handled. Ginny will send out violation notices when the special meeting date is decided on.

- ♦ **208 South Second St**

This is the metal chimney on the side of the house. Ginny will refer it to Legal if it is not moved to the roof when the certificate expires in mid-December.

- ♦ **515 Grove Street**

There are several violations including a handrail, holes in foundation covered with chicken wire and a satellite dish. Ginny will check ownership because it still showed HUD as the owner the last time she checked.

OTHER

- ♦ Ginny presented the tentative schedule for 2007 meetings (second Tuesday of each month except October when it will be the first Tuesday because of a Monday holiday).
- ♦ The woman on Ridgewood who asked to remove her house from the Historic District sent a letter full of paint chips to Ald. Mark. Ginny said the only alternatives she could come up with were to re-side the house with cement board (which would probably cost too much), or suggest that she sign up to be part of the next Paint-A-Thon.
- ♦ Everyone said goodbye to Frank and Jeanne and thanked them. They will be missed.

Ald. Mark made a **MOTION** to **ADJOURN** and Jeanne Ludeke seconded the motion. The motion **CARRIED**.

Respectfully submitted,

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